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In re Application of: George P. Hansen, Rock A. Rushing, John W. Bulluck,  
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Dear Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TO REDUCE FILING FEES**

Please amend the application as follows.

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1-114 and 128-172 without prejudice prior to calculating the fee.

Claims 115-127 are similar to claims 33-43 in the parent case, which were canceled in the parent case due to a restriction requirement.